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C H A P. Rate of tunnage, &c.

III. And be it enacted. That the tunnage on all registers taken out agreeably to this act for and during the present year, be rated at two shillings per tun, and collected accordingly.

C H A P. XXVI.

An ACT for the relief of fundry insolvent debtors confined in gaols in this state.

Viz. Samuel M'Clauster Denny, Nathan Bush, and Louis Dalzincourt, prisoners confined in the gaol of Baltimore county for debt; and Andrew Welsh, Jacob Nurse, Peter Cline, Abraham Slagle, George Dagan, and John Burgess, confined in the gaol of Frederick county for debt; and Cartwright Hammet, confined in Saint-Mary's county gaol for debt.

XXVII. H A P.

An ACT for an addition to George-town, in Montgomery county.

Preamble.

THEREAS Thomas Beall, fon of George, of Montgomery county, by his humble petition to this general affembly hath fet forth, that he is seized and possessed of part of a tract of land, called and known by the name of The Rock of Dumbarton, adjoining George-town, containing fixty-one acres, which he is defirous of annexing to faid town, and therefore prayed that a law might pass for that purpose; and it appearing to this general affembly, that to extend and enlarge the limits of faid town will greatly contribute to promote the trade and commerce thereof:

Sommission-ers to cause land to be sur-land to be sur-veyed, &c. Charles Beatty, be commissioners of George-town, or the major part of them be authorifed and required, at any time before the first day of August next, to cause the aforesaid parcel of land, or such part thereof as they may think necesfary, to be surveyed and laid out into lots, streets, lanes and alleys, at the proper cost and expence of the said Thomas Beall, in such manner as to the said commissioners, or a major part of them, shall appear convenient.

A plot to be made, &c.

III. And he it enacted, That the commissioners aforesaid, or a major part of them, shall, on or before the said first day of August next, cause a correct and accurate survey and plot to be made of the said land, and of all the lots, streets, lanes and alleys, which shall be laid out in virtue of this act; and the faid plot shall be recorded amongst the records of the said county, as soon as conveniently may be thereafter, there to remain as evidence of the boundaries, fituation and location of the faid lots, and of the ftreets, lanes and alleys; which faid ftreets. lanes and alleys, hereafter to be laid out in pursuance of this act, shall be highways, and be so deemed and taken to all intents and purposes whatsoever; and when the same shall be done, the said land, so surveyed and laid out, shall be, and is hereby declared to be, part of George-town, as fully and amply, as if originally included therein, and shall have the same immunities and privileges as the rest of the said town hath, or by former laws ought to have; saving to the state of Maryland, and all bodies politic and corporate, and all persons not mentioned in this act, their several and respective rights.

> H A P. XXVIII.

An ACT for the relief of the securities of Thomas Williams, late collector of the public tax for Prince-George's county. PR.

H A P. XXIX.

An ACT laying a duty on British vessels, and for other purposes.

Preamble.

HEREAS it appears by a proclamation of the king of Great-Britain, bearing date the second day of July last, that the growth or produce of any of the United States is prohibited from being carried to any of the British West-India islands by any other than British subjects, in British built ships, owned by British subjects, and navigated according to the laws of Great-Britain: And whereas this proceeding, which excludes the vessels of any of the United States from carrying the growth or produce of faid states, or any of them, to any of the British West-India islands, or from importing or bringing from faid islands any of their growth or produce, is repugnant to the principles of reciprocal interest, and aims at the sole monopoly of the carrying trade;

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